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***Raised Bill No. 6909***

LCO No. 4335

Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Aging

Introduced by:  
(AGE)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE LONG-TERM CARE PLANNING  
COMMITTEE.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 17b-337 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 (a) There shall be established a Long-Term Care Planning  
4 Committee for the purpose of exchanging information on long-term  
5 care issues, coordinating policy development and establishing a long-  
6 term care plan for [elderly] all persons in need of long-term care. Such  
7 plan shall integrate the three components of a long-term care system  
8 including home and community-based services, supportive housing  
9 arrangements and nursing facilities. Such plan shall include: (1) A  
10 vision and mission statement for a long-term care system; (2) the  
11 current number of [elderly] persons receiving services; (3)  
12 demographic data concerning [elderly] persons by service type; (4) the  
13 current aggregate cost of such system of services; (5) forecasts of future  
14 demand for services; (6) the type of services available and the amount  
15 of funds necessary to meet the demand; (7) projected costs for  
16 programs associated with such system; (8) strategies to promote the

17 partnership for long-term care program; (9) resources necessary to  
18 accomplish goals for the future; (10) funding sources available; and  
19 (11) the number and types of providers needed to deliver services. The  
20 plan shall address how changes in one component of such long-term  
21 care system impact other components of such system.

22 (b) The Long-Term Care Planning Committee shall, within available  
23 appropriations, study issues relative to long-term care including, but  
24 not limited to, the case-mix system of Medicaid reimbursement,  
25 community-based service options, access to long-term care and  
26 geriatric psychiatric services.

27 (c) The Long-Term Care Planning Committee shall consist of: (1)  
28 The chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing and select  
29 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
30 relating to human services, public health, elderly services and  
31 long-term care; (2) the Commissioner of Social Services, or the  
32 commissioner's designee; (3) one member of the Office of Policy and  
33 Management appointed by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and  
34 Management; (4) one member from the Department of Social Services  
35 appointed by the Commissioner of Social Services; (5) one member  
36 from the Department of Public Health appointed by the Commissioner  
37 of Public Health; (6) one member from the Department of Economic  
38 and Community Development appointed by the Commissioner of  
39 Economic and Community Development; (7) one member from the  
40 Office of Health Care Access appointed by the Commissioner of  
41 Health Care Access; (8) one member from the Department of Mental  
42 Retardation appointed by the Commissioner of Mental Retardation;  
43 (9) one member from the Department of Mental Health and Addiction  
44 Services appointed by the Commissioner of Mental Health and  
45 Addiction Services; and (10) one member from the Department of  
46 Transportation appointed by the Commissioner of Transportation. The  
47 committee shall convene no later than ninety days after June 4, 1998.  
48 Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority. The  
49 chairperson shall be elected from among the members of the

50 committee. The committee shall seek the advice and participation of  
51 any person, organization or state or federal agency it deems necessary  
52 to carry out the provisions of this section.

53 (d) Not later than January 1, 1999, and [biennially] triennially  
54 thereafter, the Long-Term Care Planning Committee shall submit a  
55 long-term care plan pursuant to subsection (a) of this section to the  
56 joint standing and select committees of the General Assembly having  
57 cognizance of matters relating to human services, public health, elderly  
58 services and long-term care, in accordance with the provisions of  
59 section 11-4a, and if such plan is approved, such plan shall serve as a  
60 guide for the actions of state agencies in developing and modifying  
61 programs that serve persons in need of long-term care.

62 Sec. 2. That the sum of \_\_\_\_ dollars is appropriated from the General  
63 Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, to the Office of Policy  
64 and Management in order to continue the work of the Long-Term Care  
65 Planning Committee, as provided in section 17b-337 of the general  
66 statutes.

67 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To fund the ongoing work, studies, and publications of the Long-Term Care Planning Committee and enable the committee to develop a long-term care plan for all persons in need of long-term care, regardless of age or diagnosis.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*